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Accounting System - Finance Division

HEFERENCES: Memoranda from Deputy Chief, Finance Division to Comptroller dated 29 December 1989 and 21 January 1988, subject: same as above.

- l. Reference memoranda transmitted for approval a proposed system of general ledger accounts and proposed format for financial reporting covering the scope of the Finance Division's accounting responsibilities.
- 2. These proposals have been carefully reviewed in the light of internal central, comprehensive information, their use is overall Agency reporting, management usage and accepted accounting practice. While we have a number of minor recorvations concerning the account terminology, arrangement of accounts, specified posting media, forms of reports, etc., their adoption, effective as soon as practicable, are approved subject to the following major changes which should receive implementation as a part of the procedures.
 - a. Accounts should be provided for maintaining general ledger control over retirement fund contributions for employees and agents on the Finance Division payrolls, in lieu of reporting contributions to the Fiscal Division to be incorporated in its retirement accounts. These may be established as mesorendum accounts in a 700 series by providing for three accounts as follows: No. 710 "Retirement Contributions, Deposited with Treasury-Debit"; No. 711 "Retirement Contributions, Prior Calendar Tears-Credit"; and No. 712 Retirement Contributions-Current Calendar Year-Credit". Suggested account descriptions and pre forms journal entries will be provided by the Technical Accounting Staff.
 - b. Assemts should be provided to maintain general lodger budgetary assemts to control allotments, obligations, and appropriation expenditures in addition to unused balances of appropriated funds made available to the Finance Division; and current costs. These accounts are required to make available within the general ledger of the Finance Division information to reflect:
 - (1) the current status of funds allotted to the Division
 - (2) the total costs insurred against which the subsidiary cost accounts maintained by organizational units and projects may be reconciled, and

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(3) the portion of the Agency's total invested and demated expital which represents accountability of the Finance Division.

This change in accounting concept also will be of assistance in implementing the establishment on the records of the Finance Division of real asset accounts for the Agency's investment in property in use and in stores, together with investments in proprietary projects, both of which can be recorded as appropriation expenditures. This suggested change may be effectuated by the establishment, at this time, of additional accounts, as follows:

(1) Assets

Account \$135 - Disbursing Officer's Cash Available to Finance Division. Debit for amount of UV allotmen's, with centra credit to Account \$10; eredit for amount of Vouchers processed against appropriation signed by DCI with contra debit to Account 511, and credit with payments made by Piscal on behalf of UV allotments.

(8) Budgetery Accounts

Account #450 - Invested and Donated Capital. #610 - Unobligated Allotments (by F.Y. with decimal) #620 - Unliquidated Obligations (By F.Y. with decimal) #650 - Expended Appropriations (by F.Y. with decimal)

The accounts 510, 520, and 550 will be posted mouthly from allotment ledger summaries. Account 450 will be posted by closing the expended appropriation (550) and ourrent costs accounts (500) each fiscal year-end.

(8) Cost Accounts

Assent 500.1 - Current Costs - Direct Allotsent Charges.

Account 600.1 will be charged with all alloteent charges which represent current costs - contra credit will be made to the appropriate asset or liability accounts.

Account 600.2 - Current Costs - Property.
Account 600.2 will be charged with all issues
and write offs of property which represent costs,
contra credit to Account 170.

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The Technical Accounting Staff will work closely with both the Fiscal and Finance Divisions in the implementation of these changes and will remier such assistance and guidance as may be deemed necessary in perfecting these accounting principles.

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